these aerodromes regularly by operating either helicopter or Vayudoot service for the greater interest of the backward people of these remote areas; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) There are five such airports namely, along, De-parizo Passighat, Tezu and Zero which were developed for Vayudoot services in Arunachal Pradesh.

(b) National Airports Authority have incurred an expenditure of Rs. 92.31 lakhs.

(c) Government have approved a scheme for provision of helicopter service by Pawan Hans in this region.

(d) The proposed routes are as under:—

DIBRUGARH—PASSIGHT—• TUTING

PASSIGHAT—RING—ANNI .

DIBRUGARH—ALONG

DIBRUGARH—PASSIGHT—

TEZU PASSIGHT—ALONG

DIBRUGARH—DEPARIZO—

LIMTKING DIBRUGARH—

ITANAGAR—

TEZPUR

DIBRUGARH—ZERO

The services are likely to start by September, 1993.

Ill Treatment of Foreign Women Tourists

2466. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION & TOURISM be pleased to Btate:

(a) whether it Is a fact that foreign tourists specially women are treated very badly in the country;

(b) whether it is also a fact that a large number of foreign female tourists have been physically assulted, raped and robbed of their belongings;

(c) whether this has adversely effected tourism industry of the country; and

(d) if so, what steps Government proposed to take to check such treatment with women tourists and to boost tourism?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD). (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) As and when incidents of crime against foreign tourists including foreign women tourists are reported the law enforcing agencies take suitable action on the matter. Appropriate measures are taken to prevent such crimes. Tourist Police Booths have been set-up and tourist police vehicles have also been stationed at strategic locations Department of Tourism also takes up the matter with concerned authorities as and when complaints of foreign tourists are received.

Flight from Delhi to Dibrugarh

2467. SHRI BHADRESHWAR GOHAIN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what are the reasons for not operating any flight from Delhi to Dibrugarh airport of Assam since a long time; and

(b) by when the operation *is* like ly to start?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) Flights between Delhi and Dibrugarh were withdrawn due to inadequate